

REMARKS

Prior to prosecution on the merits, Applicants are providing a conformed specification pursuant to Rule 52(B)(6). In addition, the specification has been amended to comply with the requirements of U.S. practice, e.g., to provide proper subheadings arranged in the order set forth in Rule 77. The information regarding priority set forth on page 1 was already provided in the Application Data Sheet filed along the application on March 6, 2006. Thus, its inclusion in the specification is believed to be proper from the standpoint of Rule 78(a)(ii)(2).

The above-noted amendments of claims 1-16 and 26, and addition of new claims 27-29 are respectfully submitted in order to more clearly and appropriately claim the subject matter which Applicants consider to constitute their inventive contribution. No new matter is included in these amendments.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that these amendments now be entered, and that prosecution on the merits of this application now be initiated. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe such action can be taken, it is respectfully requested that he telephone Applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which he may have.

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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicants' Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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